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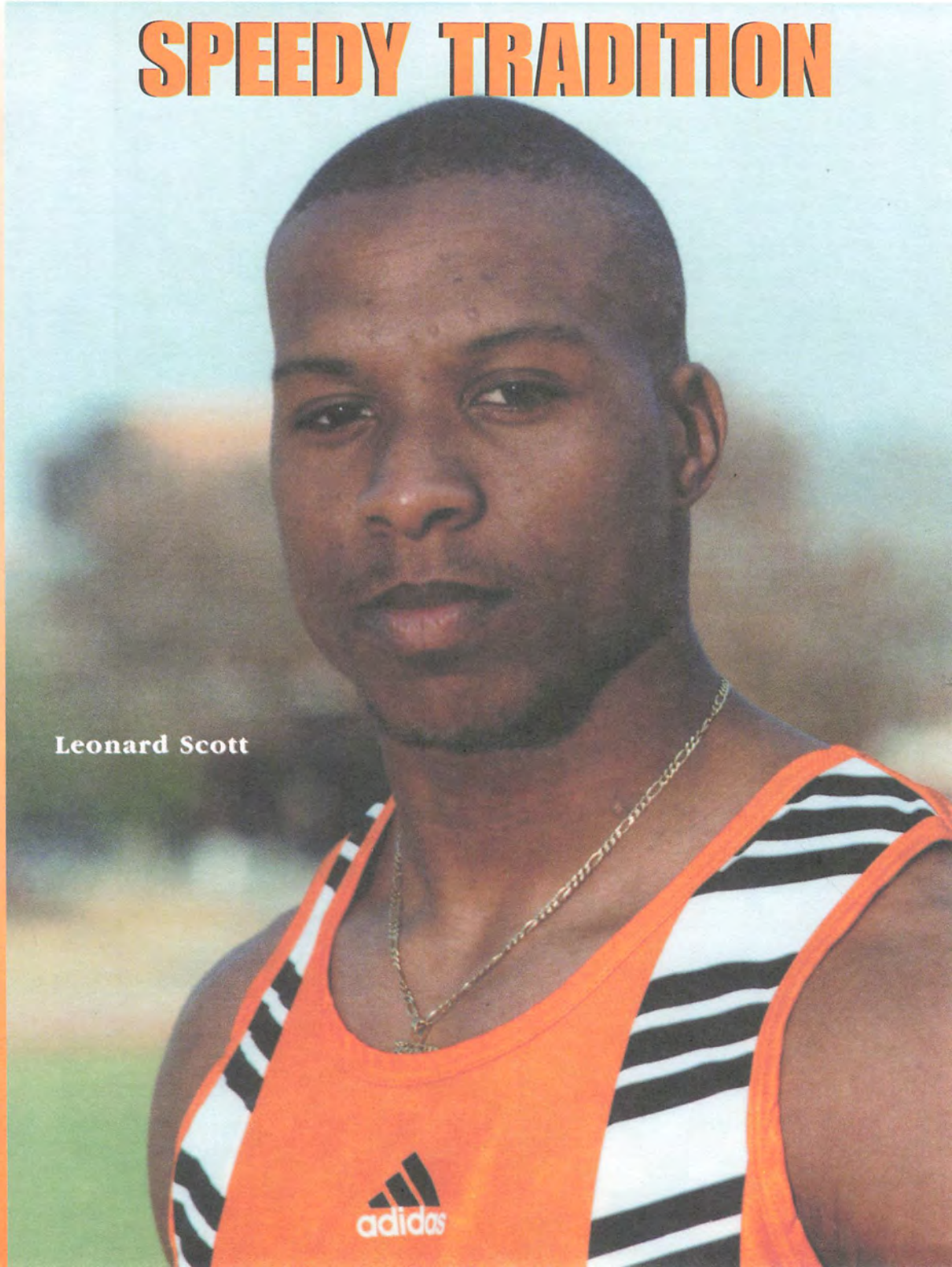


Leonard Scott

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# T CLUB

The Lettermen's T-Club and the University of Tennessee appreciate the response they have received concerning the "Wall of Fame" and interest in the Lettermen's Club memberships. Several people have asked about their places on the wall and how to join the Club.

Below is an excerpt from the Lettermen's By-Laws.

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### Now More On The Lettermen's Weekend

Lettermen enjoyed the fellowship along with the golf game Friday, April 23, at Willow Creek Golf Club. While no one made a hole-in-one to win the free Twin City Buick automobile, they had fun and enjoyed seeing old friends from years gone by.

Our family outing at the Keith McCord farm Saturday, April 24, was a huge success. Some 200 people attended and the most commonly heard expression was, "the people who didn't come sure are missing something." The weather was ideal for horseback riding, canoeing, paddle boating, hiking, fishing and many other activities. Keith's personal recipe made a delectable sauce even for someone who is not fond of barbeque sauce. It was such a restful and peaceful outing for those attending (although we're not sure about Keith and Peggy) we really did not want to leave. Hopefully we will be invited again next year and "the people who didn't come" will not miss again. A great big **THANK YOU** to the McCords for making this such a special event is also in order.

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***— Judy Constantine***

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# A Look at the Vols...

## Leonard Scott - Speedy Tradition

The Tennessee football family spent the first part of January celebrating a national championship, but one member of the team was already preparing to win another.

Redshirt freshman Leonard Scott was a member of the national championship football team, but before the spring semester had started, he was back on campus preparing to compete for the Vol track team. That preparation paid dividends March 6 at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis.

Scott added "NCAA Champion" once more to his resume with a victory in the 60-meter dash. He posted a time of 6.58 seconds to defeat Arizona State's Marcus Brunson.

The Zachary, La., native became the Vols' first indoor sprint champion since Sam Graddy won the 60-yard dash in 1985. Prior to Graddy, Willie Gault won both the 60-yard dash and the 60-yard hurdles in 1983.

Scott currently holds the school indoor record for the 55-meter dash, 60-meter dash and 200-meter dash, and can now add his name to the list of track greats at Tennessee.

Another list Scott wants to pencil his name on is the one which includes the two-sport stars at Tennessee. Former Tennessee track coach Chuck Rohe was instrumental in bringing speed to the Vol track team as well as to the football team. Scott now wants to make that same transition Gault, Anthony Hancock and Richmond Flowers did.

The three former Vols have combined for at least 15 All-America honors on the track. Gault was a two-time NCAA outdoor champion in 1983, and Flowers was NCAA champion in 1968.

But Scott knows being a two-sport star is going to be difficult.

"You have to know you can do it and be willing do it," he said. "If you are not willing do it, you are not going to make it. It is really hard. When you get a break from football, you have to go to track. When you get finished with track, you have go back to football. You have to have the will to do it."

After watching the Vols' run to the national championship in his red shirt, Scott returned to campus and set out to be the best he could be on the track. The other returning members of the football team set out to prepare for the 1999 season. The onset of spring practice was a difficult time for Scott.

"I was doubting myself whether I could play football here when I saw other guys competing for the wide receiver position and I'm not out there competing for it," Scott said. "Seeing people compete for the wide receiver position just makes me more hungry. It makes me want to go out there and rise to the occasion. I know I can do it in track, but I also want to make a name for myself in football. Seeing other people do it makes me want to go out and strive harder."

Part of what helped Scott was his win at the NCAA Championships.

"I have built my confidence and know I can compete on the football field. I have worked hard on building my confidence up," he said. "Winning at the NCAAs built my confidence a lot and opened my eyes. That is when it occurred to me that all I have to do is the best I can.

"I did not have to worry about someone competing for my position in football. I know now I just have to go out and do the best I can, compete and have the confidence to do it. Winning that race put the icing on the cake. From that day on, I

*Leonard Scott takes the baton as part of the 4x400-meter relay team which claimed first place at the Sea Ray Relays last month.*

***Leonard Scott captured the 60-meter dash at the NCAA Indoor Tack and Field Championships in Indianapolis last winter. This season, he has broken the school-record in the 100-meter dash in only his third outdoor race. AP Photo/Tom Strattmon.***

have been as confident as can be."

Scott will be competing for playing time with a group of young receivers. The only sure spot in the receiving rotation belongs to junior Cedrick Wilson. Wilson is excited about the possibilities of having someone with Leonard's speed on the field.

"Donte Stallworth and Leonard are going to play a big part in our season," Wilson said. "They are probably the fastest receivers we have. They will really open things up underneath.

"It is wonderful to have guys with speed. Leonard can get the ball over the top and stretch the defense. If he scores on a couple of big plays, things will just keep opening up underneath. Teams will be looking for Leonard to go deep, but if he catches the ball across the middle and nobody is there, who is going to catch him?"

Having to replace departed seniors Peerless Price and Jeremaine Copeland at the wideout position is not discouraging to quarterback Tee Martin.

"Leonard is breaking records on the track, and he runs the same way on the football field," Martin said. "Leonard can go down the field and catch the deep ball. It is going to be fun to see how the coaches use the speed we have at receiver."

Vince Anderson, the track team's sprint coach, is also glad to have Scott in the Orange and White.

"He was really talented in high school, and we knew he was better than any sprinter we currently had," Anderson said. "In no way did I expect Leonard to do this much this soon. I expected him to be exceptional by the time he left, but I didn't expect it this soon."

> ***"Seeing people compete for the wide receiver position just makes me more hungry. It makes me want to go out there and rise to the occasion. I know I can do it in track, but I also want to make a name for myself in football. Seeing other people do it makes me want to go out and strive harder."***
>
> ***— Vol Wide Receiver Leonard Scott***

Scott was surprised by the success he has enjoyed this early in his career.

"It was a shock to me to do this well early," he said. "I did well the first couple of meets and I wasn't sure what to think. I had it in my head that this was going to be different from high school. I thought I was beating everybody in high school, but when I got to college it wasn't going to be like that. I get here and I am doing the same thing."

Even though the demands on his time have been great this spring, Scott believes participating in track helps his football ability and vice-versa.

"Football goes in hand with track because of the competitiveness," he said. "Football is a much more intense type of sport and that helps my intensity on the track. The strength I get from football also carries over to track.

"Track goes in hand with football because you are getting in shape and working on your speed. Some people may be getting tired on the football field, but track helps my endurance. They go together well."

*— Rob Hardin*

# A Look at Track & Field ...
## Gatorade Track Classic Results

### Men Win Gatorade Meet

Tennessee won the 27th annual Gatorade Track Classic in convincing fashion. The Vols claimed nine first-place finishes to defeat Auburn 234-181, James Madison (107) and Georgia Tech (93).

As has been the story all year long, Tennessee didn't rely on one event to put them at the top, instead, they used a balanced team effort that prompted head coach Bill Webb to label the meet as "highly successful and indicative of a team peaking at the right time."

The Vols got off on the right foot, so to speak, on the first day of the event with Tom Pappas, Anthony Famiglietti and Camron Howard winning their individual events. Pappas, an All-America and NCAA record-holder, took first in the javelin throw edging out Auburn's Moise Louisy-Louis and teammate Toby Colyer. Famiglietti, a junior who transferred to the Vols in time to earn All-SEC honors in cross country, won the 3000-meter run in convincing fashion as he just missed breaking the event record set by Bob Dickie of Tennessee in 1998.

Camron Howard gave Tennessee its final win of the day when he captured the long jump competition. Howard leaped 23-11.75 to beat Porter Clayton of Georgia Tech and Pappas. With Scott Perkinson finishing third and Lance Jauron fourth in the hammer, the Vols finished the competition's first day with a 53-39 lead over Auburn.

The second and final day of the meet proved to be no different than the first with Tennessee dominating a number of events including the high jump, pole vault and steeplechase. Senior All-America Doug Ellington won the steeplechase with a time of 9:13.07 and teammate Joe Dickson finished at No. 2 for the Vols. The top two spots in the high jump also belonged to Tennessee as Matt Rush edged out All-America teammate Tim Bell for top honors. Russell Johnson continued to climb the NCAA charts with his first-place finish in the pole vault. His height of 17-7 was more than one-foot better than teammate Clint Binder who finished runner-up.

The individual story of the meet belonged to senior All-America hurdler Dawane Wallace. Wallace won the 110-meter hurdles in an impressive 13.34, the fastest time in the country to date. Wallace, who earned All-America honors with his finish at the NCAA Indoor Championships in March, has improved his time in almost every outing this season and is one of the favorites to win his event at NCAA Outdoor Championships in June. In winning the event, Wallace beat Georgia Tech's Tim Bordanof and teammate Grant Cleghorn.

Freshman Hassaan Stamps and sophomore Adrian Wheatley scored big for the Vols in the 400-meter hurdles with their one-two finish and Famiglietti and Ellington came back to take third and fourth, respectively, in the 1500-meter run behind James Madison All-Americas Benjamin Cooke and Russ Coleman. Tennessee's relay teams also contributed with a third-place finish in the 1600-meter relay and a second-place finish in the 400-meter relay despite the absence of freshman sensation Leonard Scott, who missed the meet nursing a hamstring injury.

Even without Scott, the sprinting corps scored big for Tennessee thanks in large part to sophomore Russell Frye. Frye finished second in the 100-meter dash to Auburn's Coby Miller and third in the 200-meter dash with a provisional qualifying time of 20.85. Jason Waters' fourth-place finish in the 100-meter dash and Howard's fourth-place in the 200-meter dash helped the Vols increase its lead.

The Vols nailed down the victory and

*Maureen Ferris was a double winner in the 1500-meter and 800-meter runs at the Gatorade Track Classic.*

improved Webb's four-year record to 12-2 overall with the help of Brock Smith's second-place finish in the 800-meter run, Darwin Walker and Tyler Garrett's one-two finish in the shot put and Rondell Mershon's second-place showing in the triple jump.

### Women Claim Second Consecutive Meet Title

Behind the record-setting performances of pole vaulter Tracy Carrington and shot putter Andrea Pappas, and double-win efforts from Maureen Ferris and Kelli White, the No. 18-ranked University of Tennessee women's track and field team claimed its second straight Gatorade Classic title April 30 and May 1 at Tom Black Track. The host Lady Volunteers tallied 180 points to hold off Auburn (166), Georgia Tech (144) and James Madison (76).

"We had some outstanding individual performances from every area on our team," UT head coach Myrtle Ferguson said. "It was great to win the Gatorade Classic for the second year in a row, and I was pleased to see how well our team responded against the competition. This type of scoring situation prepares us as we get ready for the SEC Championships."

Carrington produced the highlight of the meet, clearing 12-6 3/4 in the vault to take top honors and topple the school outdoor record of Leslie Henley (12-5 1/2), the Tom Black Track collegiate mark of teammate Beth Gehring (12-3 1/2) and the Gatorade standard of Gehring and Henley (11-5 1/2). Gehring and Lesly Love had successful meets as well, placing second at 12-2 3/4 and fourth at 10-7, respectively. For Love it was a personal best clearance.

Pappas, meanwhile broke the University of Tennessee women's hammer throw record for the third time this season. The San Jose, Calif., native let loose a throw of 159 feet, 3 inches to better her five-day-old mark of 158-11. That heave came at the Knoxville Invitational April 25. She previously made the record book with a throw of 151-5 at the UC San Diego Spring Break Open March 25 to topple the high-water mark of Kelly Smith (149-4, April 11, 1997).

In her second victory of the meet, Pappas won the shot put with a heave of 47-9 3/4. She also placed third in the discus at 151-0 and fourth in the javelin at 124-4. Slinden, UT's other talented throws specialist, took top billing in the discus throw with a career-best heave of 172-1 and improved her chances of receiving an NCAA bid. The freshman also was second in the hammer (126-7) and fifth in the shot (35-1 3/4).

One of the top female sprinters in the nation, White wowed the sun-drenched crowd with her heroics, winning the 100- and 200-meter dashes and anchoring the victorious 4x100- meter relay. She clocked a wind-aided time of 11.35 in the shorter sprint and put her name on the NCAA provisional qualifying list with a gusty 23.25 reading in the longer race. As for the relay, White joined Tyangela Sanders, Erica Witter and Heather Sumpter to post a 44.81 on the scoreboard. It was that relay's fourth-fastest time this season.

In the middle distance events, Ferris continued to show the talent and determination that helped her earn 1999 All-America honors in the indoor mile. The senior from Cleveland, Ohio, crossed the line first in the 1500 meters in 4:26.95 and then came back to take the 800 meters in 2:09.82. Both times were just off her personal records and about two seconds shy of the provisional mark.

Love also played a key role in the team victory as a sprinter, capturing the 400-meter dash crown in a Personal Record-tying 54.27, finishing second in the 200 meters and running the final leg of Tennessee's victorious 4x400-meter relay team. That group gave UT a sweep of the relays in posting a time of 3:44.01. Joining her were Janelle Briggs, Sumpter and Sanders.

Other noteworthy performances included Sanders finishing second in the 100-meter dash and registering an outdoor PR in the long jump at 18-7 1/4, and distance runners Sharon Dickie and Angie Pothier registering No. 3 and No. 5 place results in the 3000-meters.

***—Volunteers Magazine Staff***

***Vol All-America Tim Bell (above) was edged out by teammate Matt Rush in the high jump as the Vols claimed another One-Two finish in an event at the Gatorade Track Classic.***

*TRACY CARRINGTON:* After her performance at the Gatorade Classic, senior Tracy Carrington now owns the Lady Vol indoor and outdoor records in the pole vault. having cleared 12-7 1/2 at the NCAA Indoor Championships and when she cleared 12-6 3/4 to take first at Gatorade she supplanted Leslie Henley's 12-5 1/2 as the highest outdoor mark in UT women's history.

*MAUREEN FERRIS:* Senior middle distance runner Maureen Ferris continued her incredible pace, winning the 800 and 1500 meters at the Gatorade. After earning All-America honors indoors in the mile earlier this season, she has proceeded to win all three of her 800-meter races and two of her four 1500-meter contests during the 1999 campaign.

*HASSAAN STAMPS:* As a freshman Hassaan made a big impression as he teamed up with sophomore Adrian Wheatley to complete a ONE-TWO Vol finish in the 400-meter hurdles.

*DAWANE WALLACE:* The senior All-America captured the 110-meter hurdles in an NCAA qualifying time of 13.34. He is considered to be one of the favorites to win the event at the NCAA Outdoor Championships in June.

# *Diamond Vol Results...*

# Vols Looking to End Season with Wins

Tennessee baseball has seen its share of ups and downs this past season, but it has been the play of the Diamond Vols as of late that has shown promise for the future.

The Vol pitching staff has had its problems on the mound and has struggled to get its earned run average to a respectable level. Prior to the SEC series with Georgia, the pitching staff was looking at eclipsing the school record for team ERA at 6.52 that was set in 1998.

But the staff rose to the occasion and pitched its best baseball of the season the past two weekends.

After sweeping Georgia in three games, the Vols faced a formidable foe in South Carolina. Although Tennessee lost two out of three to the Gamecocks, the pitching staff gave the Vols a chance to win in every game.

The first game of the series had to wait until Saturday because of rain. When things finally began fans were greeted to an unfamiliar sight, a tight pitching duel.

***Senior Richie Jenkins and the Vols finished their homestand with a 15-10 win over MTSU.***

Game One saw Jamie Bennett take the mound for the Vols and go the distance only to lose 3-2.

Bennett gave up two runs in the first and one in the second but slammed the door on the Gamecocks the rest of the way. Bennett leads the conference in innings pitched (150.2) and in strikeouts (129), and he trails R.A. Dickey in numerous school records: innings pitched (159.2), appearances (22), earned runs (76), runs (93), walks (61) and strikeouts (137).

Bennett has truly been the workhorse and provides another bright spot as the Vols look to the 2000 season.

In the second game of the twi-night double-header, the Vols sent Marlyn Tisdale to the mound.

Tisdale pitched another gem, going eight and two-third innings giving up three runs (two earned) in getting the win by a 4-3 count.

After Jeremy Brown (5-3) relieved Tisdale to set up the late game heroics, the Gamecocks sent their ace reliever (Jason Pomar, 2-4) to the mound in the bottom of the ninth to face the bottom part of the Tennessee order.

Pomar got the first out of the inning before facing senior Josh Morris. Morris worked the count to 2-2 and then hammered a fast ball to the opposite field where it caromed off the scoreboard for the 4-3 win. It was Morris' second home run of the season and it could not have come at a better time.

Sunday's final game of the series looked to be going the Vols' way as Tennessee took a 4-2 lead into the ninth and had Brown (5-4) on the mound relieving freshman Wyatt Allen, who pitched his second-straight superb game as a starter.

But the fielding error bug bit the Vols as they committed errors that cost the Vols a 5-4 game in 14 innings.

Brown surrendered two runs in the ninth to tie the score and both teams traded scoreless extra innings until the 14th where an error lead to what would be the winning run for South Carolina.

Pomar (3-4) entered the game in the eighth for the Gamecocks and pitched his longest outing of the season going six innings of scoreless ball to get the win for Gamecocks.

Tennessee looks to finish the season on a winning note as they faced MTSU in a mid-week game and then close out the season with a three-game weekend series at Vanderbilt.

### Vols Sweep Series With Bulldogs

Chris Burke and Brandon Hopkins each collected four hits as the Volunteers used a four-run first and five-run eighth inning to put the Georgia Bulldogs away, 13-6, and record their first series sweep of the season Sunday, May 2.

In Saturday's game, Morris collected the game-winning RBI when he was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded in the bottom of the ninth driving home Justin Parker as Tennessee defeated Georgia 4-3 at Lindsey Nelson Stadium.

Friday's first game of the series saw Brian Baker's bases-loaded single in the bottom of the 11th inning lift the Vols to a 5-4 victory over the Bulldogs. Baker went 3-for-4 off the bench, while Burke added three more as the Vols outhit the Bulldogs, 16-9. Brown (4-3) struck out four in the final 1 2/3 innings in picking up the win, while Rob Moravek (3-4) gave up three hits and two walks in one-plus innings to take the loss.

***—Donnell Field***

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# Ben Byrd on the Vols...
## Trailblazers Break Barrier

The hundreds of black athletes who have contributed so much to University of Tennessee teams over the past three decades all owe a huge debt to Lester McClain and Larry Robinson.

These were the trailblazers, the two young men who broke the race barrier at UT and who did it with class, style and dignity. They made the path smoother for all who followed.

Tennessee was among the first Southeastern Conference schools to desegregate its varsity sports teams in the late 1960s. The young man who was originally cast in the historic role was Albert Davis, a running back at Alcoa High School who had set all kinds of prep rushing records. After Davis had signed in the spring of 1967, head coach Doug Dickey decided to sign another player to give Davis a black roommate in order to ease the transition. That player was McClain, who had played both running back and receiver at Nashville's Antioch High.

When Davis had trouble with his qualifying test scores, McClain was left as the player who was to play the Jackie Robinson role in Tennessee football. It turned out to be a perfect fit.

The son of a Nashville preacher, Lester had a pleasant personality and a strong work ethic, and he was a gifted, natural athlete. He was accepted by his white teammates from day one, and for three seasons, 1968-69-70, he held down the starting wingback job. The Vols didn't pass as much then as now, and he does not rank among UT's all-time statistical receiving leaders, although he did hold the school record for the longest touchdown reception for a number of years, thanks to an 82-yard hookup with quarterback Bobby Scott against Memphis State in 1969. He was a strong blocker and an ideal team player.

The only controversy that ever erupted during McClain's UT stay happened after he had played his senior season. A student newspaper carried a story in which he was quoted as criticizing the Vol staff for certain matters, and the story was picked up and carried in the daily newspapers in the state.

The next day I got a call in my office at The Knoxville Journal. It was Lester.

"I'm in trouble," he said, and I told him that I had read the story.

It turned out, as so many controversial pieces do, that Lester had talked to the UT reporter about both the good things and bad things that he had experienced. The good things, he said, probably made up 95 percent of the whole, but the other five percent had been lifted out of context and highlighted.

I then wrote a piece I hoped would clear the air, and the matter died down quickly. Lester graduated with a degree in business administration, and left still in the good graces of his coaches and teammates.

Larry Robinson came along a few years later. Tennessee had never had a black basketball player as it entered the 1970s, although Michigan high school superstar Spencer Haywood had been signed by Coach Ray Mears in 1967 but failed to pass his ACT. In the spring of 1971, Mears decided to make sure he was getting a good student as well as an SEC-level player for that historic role, and signed Robinson out of Ferrum (Va.) Junior College.

Larry was a 6-5 high post player who was a tremendous rebounder and defensive man. He was not a particularly good shooter, so most of his offensive work was confined to setting screens, passing and hitting the offensive boards. Quiet, easy-going and totally unselfish, he soon emerged as a vital piece of the powerful Big Orange machine that forged a 19-6 record and shared the 1971-72 SEC Championship with Kentucky.

Robinson didn't win any all-conference or All-America honors, but he won a greater tribute than either of those after the season. Although he had played only one season with the Vols, his teammates, all of them white, elected him captain of the 1972-73 team. In his modest, unassuming way, Larry Robinson had not only broken the color barrier; he had smashed it to pieces.

I suppose all of this may seem to be a bit overdone by younger readers. After all, blacks and whites have played together for a long time now, and it no longer is a big deal. But many of us can remember the days of total segregation when these barriers we speak of now seemed to be set in stone.

Lester McClain later said that when his family left him at the door to Gibbs Hall on his first freshman day in the summer of 1967, he had never felt so utterly alone. So when we think of what he achieved and of what Larry Robinson later achieved, we should keep in mind that for them it was a giant step into the unknown.

And credit, too, should go to their white teammates, who were in their own way dealing with a new and potentially difficult situation. Good people make good things happen.

## Former Vol

*Mike Lincoln (1995-96)*

Mike Lincoln came to UT from American River (Calif.) Junior College and Casa Roble (Calif.) High School in the mid 1990s.

As a Vol in 1996, Lincoln notched a 6-4 record with 3.33 ERA in 70.1 innings, striking out 76 and walking 30. He started 10 games and had two complete games. He also added two saves.

After a season at UT and three years in the minors, Lincoln, pitching for the Minnesota Twins, earned his first major league win May 4 against the New York Yankees.

He had signed with the Twins after being drafted 13th in the June 1996 free agent draft.

He won 33 games in three years, with two years' service in Fort Myers and in a third year in New Britain, Conn. He was the Twins' Minor League Pitcher of the month for April 1998.

***Former Vol Mike Lincoln earned his first major league win May 4 against the New York Yankees, going six innings, giving up two runs while striking out five.***

### Linksters Seventh at Furman Invitational

The University of Tennessee men's golf team tied for seventh place at the Furman Intercollegiate with rounds of 298-299-294—891, to finish their 1999 spring schedule.

Sophomore Andy Brimer fired an impressive 71 in the final round of competition to finish tied for 13th and lead the Vols. Junior Derrick Centers posted the second-best Vol score, 72-79-73—224, to tie for 26th.

Mississippi State moved from third place to team champions after the final round of the tournament. The Bulldogs fired rounds of 299-285-294—878, to finish one stroke above UNC-Charlotte (304-294-281—879). UNC-Charlotte posted the lowest 18-hole score in the tournament with a 281 in the final round. Maryland (882), Coastal Carolina (883) and Furman (884) rounded out the top five.

Maryland's Miguel Rivera held on to the individual title with marks of 73-69-71—213, after battling with Mississippi State's Richard Barbles, 73-69-71—213, in a five-hole playoff.

### Swimming and Diving Awards Announced

The 1999 SEC swimming and diving awards, voted on by league coaches, were announced April 27 with sophomore diver Gabi Chereches and diving coach Dave Parrington receiving honors.

Chereches, a native of Bacau, Romania, who prepped in Houston, Texas, was named SEC Male Diver of the Year. Chereches claimed SEC individual championships in three-meter and platform diving and was the runner-up in the one-meter diving event. At the SEC meet, Chereches shared the Performer of the Meet award and also earned a share of the Commissioner's Trophy by tying for high individual scorer of the meet. Chereches was also named first-team All-SEC and SEC Diver of the Year by the *Knoxville News-Sentinel*. At the NCAA Championships, Chereches finished fifth in the platform competition and sixth on the three-meter board.

Dave Parrington was named by his peers as the SEC Diving Coach of the Year for the second consecutive year. The Volunteers placed three divers in the top eight of the one-meter competition at the SEC meet with Shannon Roy (fourth) and Chip Chiappetta (eighth) joining Chereches (second) in the finals. Roy also finished third in three-meter diving while Chiappetta finished seventh in platform diving. All three divers qualified for the NCAA Championships. At the conclusion of the SEC meet, Parrington shared the Coach of the meet award.

Parrington was also named SEC Diving Coach of the Year by the *Knoxville News-Sentinel*. The award marked the fourth time Parrington has captured the men's award, winning in 1994 and 1996 as well. A native of Harare, Zimbabwe, Parrington's trophy case includes the 1997 SEC women's Diving Coach of the Year award as well as the 1990 Southwest Conference Diving Coach of the Year award. Parrington also served as the coach of the 1996 Zimbabwe Olympic Diving Team which included former Vol NCAA and World Champion Evan Stewart.

The Diver of the Year award won by Chereches is the tenth post-season honor won by a Tennessee swimmer or diver since 1977. A Tennessee athlete has been honored as swimmer or diver of the year by the SEC coaches each season since 1994.

### Golf Team Left Off NCAA Field

The University of Tennessee's men's golf team was dealt a cruel blow last week when the NCAA golf pairings were announced. After a rather successful campaign the Vols were not chosen to participate in the upcoming tournament.

### Vols and Lady Vols to Host Regional

Tennessee's No. 12-ranked tennis team (17-9, 7-6 SEC) began its quest for the 1999 NCAA Championship in Knoxville. The No. 11-seeded Volunteers hosted an NCAA Regional Friday-Saturday, May 14-15.

Tennessee faced in-state rival Tennessee Tech, 1999 Ohio Valley Conference champions, in the first round May 14. Mississippi State, ranked No. 20, and No. 41-ranked Purdue met in the other first-round match. The results will be in the next issue of this magazine. The winner of the regional will advance to the round of 16 at the NCAA Championships May 22-25 in Athens, Ga.

The Vols own a 7-0 record against Tennessee Tech. The in-state rivals last played in 1972. Tennessee lost a 4-3 match in its last meeting with Mississippi State April 18 at the SEC Tournament in Starkville, Miss. Tennessee holds a 22-11 series lead over the Bulldogs. The Vols have faced Purdue twice, winning both, in 1985 and 1986.

The Lady Vols also played host to an NCAA Regional as the No. 15 seed Tennessee team opened its NCAA run against in-state rival Tennessee Tech May 15. That winner moved on to face the winner of the Wisconsin (12-12)/Arkansas (15-10) match May 16.

### Rowing Team Places Sixth

After finishing well enough May 8 to advance to the finals in the JV 8+ and to the semi\quotes in the Varsity 8+, Tennessee took sixth place in the JV race.

In the JV 8+, Michigan took the top spot with a time of 6:16.20. Ohio State was second (6:17.70), Wisconsin third (6:19.39), Michigan State fourth (6:20.89), Iowa fifth (6:24.89) and UT crossed last at 6:36.50.

The Lady Vols displaced strong teams from Kansas and Kansas State on the way. In the semifinal for the Varsity 8+, Tennessee finished in fifth place behind Wisconsin (6:18.80), Michigan (6:20.23), Ohio State (6:20.95) and Tulsa (6:28.96). The Lady Volunteers finished with a clocking of 6:29.89, edging out Notre Dame (6:36.42). The team's fifth-place finish was just nine seconds short of qualifying for the final.

Next up, the Lady Vols hosted the Lexus Cup/Central Region Championships in Oak Ridge May 15.

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# THIS WEEK IN BIG ORANGE COUNTRY

### Softball Squad Takes SEC Eastern Division Crown

The Lady Vol softball team completed a remarkable turnaround by claiming its first Eastern Division championship with a 7-0 blanking of Kentucky in the third contest of the four-game series at Tyson Park. By taking the East, Tennessee secured the second seed in the SEC Tournament in Columbus, Ga., slated to begin May 15 and will meet seventh-seed Florida in the double-elimination event.

After sweeping a pair of matchups from Kentucky, the Lady Vols used a 12-hit attack and the shutout pitching of senior Sarah Ayres to bring home the crown. UT scored single runs in the first, second and third innings to move in front, 3-0. The home team broke the game wide open in the fourth frame when senior Lisa Warren smacked a solo home run to left field with two down for her fourth of the campaign. Following singles by senior Kelli Fitzgerald and junior Amanda Venable, senior catcher Carrie Swinford jacked Jennifer Howland's first offering over the left field fence for her team-leading 10th dinger to put Tennessee ahead, 7-0.

From there, Ayres shackled the Wildcats on three hits and struck out three to improve to 16-10 in 1999. The shutout was the fifth solo blanking of the year for the Roseville, Calif., native. In the triumph, Warren was 3-for-4 with a single, double and home run to go along with two RBI and a pair of runs. Venable was 3-for-4 with two runs and Fitzgerald was 2-for-3.

In the second meeting between the clubs, Kentucky jumped out to a 9-2 lead as Leslie Kwiatkowski led off the game with homer on the first pitch and later delivered a grand slam in the fourth stanza to break a 2-2 deadlock. However, the Lady Vols fought back with three runs in the fifth and two more in the sixth to trim the deficit to 9-7. With the bases loaded and two down in the sixth, Wildcat hurler Keary Camunas caught UT freshman Adrianna Wilson looking on strikes to end the threat.

In the decisive seventh stanza, junior Nadia Cameron singled with one down and moved to second on Warren's two-out base-hit to left field. With a pair of runners aboard, Wildcat reliever Colleen Boddy induced a foul pop-out by Fitzgerald to end the game and preserve the 9-7 Kentucky win. The triumph was the Wildcats' first against Tennessee in 11 meetings.

Junior Jackie Beavers took the loss after going four innings and giving up nine runs, although just three were earned. The righty is now 23-10, while Camunas moved to 14-21 with the win. Cameron was 3-for-4 to lead UT, while Venable was 2-for-4 with a pair of RBI and runs and senior Kenyail Norris was 2-for-3 with a couple of runs batted in. Swinford tagged her 11th homer and second of the afternoon with a two-run blast in the fifth.

The Lady Vols, now 42-23 overall and 17-11 in SEC play, will next be in action at the SEC Tournament.

***—Volunteers Magazine***

***Holdsclaw (left) and Jolly (right) were selected by the WNBA last week.***

### Holdsclaw and Jolly among 14 SEC Players taken in WNBA Draft

A total of 14 former SEC women's basketball players, including Lady Vol seniors Kellie Jolly and Chamique Holdsclaw, were taken in the WNBA draft held in New York City May 4.

Holdsclaw was the top draft pick taken by the Washington Mystics. Holdsclaw has three NCAA Championships, a 21-1 record in NCAA Tournament play, two national player of the year awards, two ESPY Awards as the women's college player of the year and she is the only four-time Kodak All-America. She is also the all-time leading scorer and rebounder in Tennessee basketball history.

"She's the player of the present and the player of the future for our league," WNBA president Val Ackerman said. "Her eventual appeal could rival what Michael Jordan was able to do over his long career.

A casual basketball fan who hasn't quite turned on to women's basketball may be won over because of Chamique, her mystique, what she does on the court, the whole package."

As for Holdsclaw's thoughts on where she wanted to go, "I was praying I wouldn't go to Utah," said Holdsclaw, a Queens, N.Y., native who had hoped to play for the New York Liberty. "I'm in a great position, three hours up the road. I'll get to see my family a lot."

Holdsclaw joins a Washington team that finished last this past season with a 3-27 record and will be reunited with former Tennessee player Nikki McCray. Holdsclaw will be coached by Nancy Darsch, a former assistant coach at Tennessee, who was fired after two seasons with the Liberty.

Kellie Jolly went in the fourth round to the Cleveland Rockers. Jolly served as the emotional and inspirational leader of the Tennessee Lady Vols. During her four years in Knoxville, Jolly was named to the NCAA All-Final Four team in 1997 and 1998. She was named to the All-SEC second team in 1999.

The draft was postponed one week because of a labor dispute between the players and league. The 12-team WNBA begins its third 10-week season June 10 with a 32-game schedule.

The WNBA will come to Knoxville June 3 as Holdsclaw and her Washington team will take part in a preseason exhibition at Thompson-Boling Arena as part of the opening ceremonies for the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame. For more information check out the Lady Vols website *http://ath.utk.edu/womens/ladyvol*.

***—AP Wire Story***

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For those Volunteer Faithful who have made ticket change requests or orders for new tickets for the 1999 season, both the VASF office and the Office of Alumni Affairs and Annual Giving would ask those customers to please be patient.

Each spring, these offices (through the efforts of the Ticket office) turn around nearly 80,000 tickets spread across approximately 30,000 ticket-holders. This is a very time-consuming process which requires a great deal of attention to detail.

Once all the renewals are entered into the master computer, then lists are generated describing seating availability. Only then can seating change requests and new seat requests be filled. The lists of available seats are usually finished around the middle of June. Both offices would like to ask all customers who have requested seat location changes or new tickets not to begin calling regarding these requests until the middle part of June.

### The Junior Vols

Parents, take note of this club and how it can benefit your younger Volunteer fans. The University of Tennessee and Chick-fil-A have formed an elite organization offering younger Vol supporters the chance to be a part of something special. The club is known as the Junior Vols and membership is limited to girls and boys ages 13-years-old and under.

For the annual fee of $25, members of the Junior Vols club will receive the official Junior Vols T-shirt and membership card, a birthday card from Smokey, a complimentary subscription to the Junior Vols newsletter (*Paw Prints*) and free admission into certain Tennessee Olympic home sports events, including baseball, swimming, track & field, tennis and golf.

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***— Compiled by Steve Sams***

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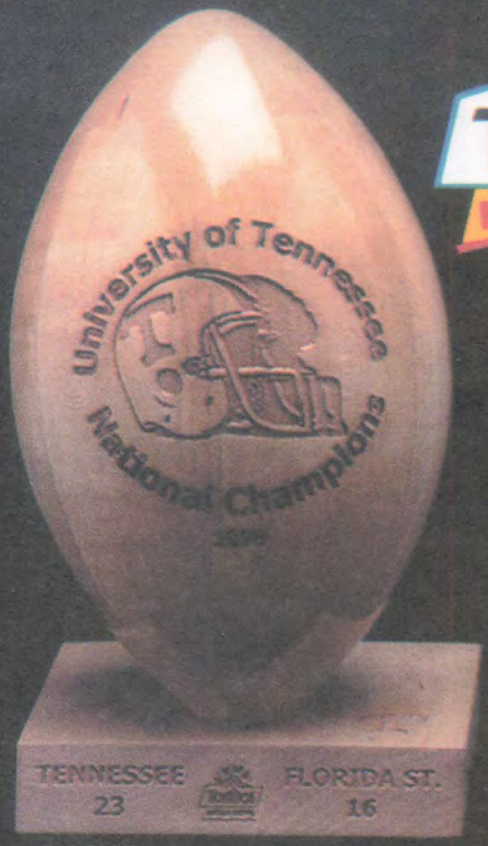


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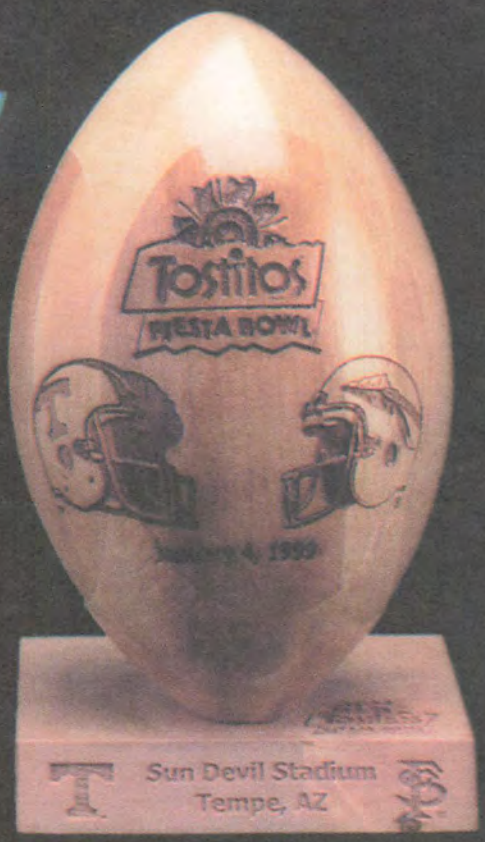


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# Faces in Big Orange Country

Freshman **Frenke Bolt** is no ordinary rookie. The Zutphen, Holland, native, who speaks Dutch, German, French and English, has begun her academic and track and field careers with the Lady Vols in fine fashion. In the classroom, she has compiled a 4.00 grade point average in her first semester as a pre-med student and made the Lady Vol Honor Roll. In competition, she has been equally impressive, notching second and third-place performances in two heptathlon competitions in 1999. Her season-opening point total of 5361 at the College Station Multi-Events Festival garnered her third place and gave her a mark that still stands as the best in the SEC and tenth nationally.

**Dawane Wallace** has been a stable force for the Vols in the 110-meter and 400-meter hurdles ever since he arrived from Alexandria, Va. This season the three-time All-America performer has already qualified for the NCAA meet next month with his time of 13.64 at the Penn Relays in April. He will be a force to be reckoned with in the SEC Track and Field Championships which will take place this month. He placed fifth at the NCAA Indoor Championships in Indianapolis after taking fifth in the SEC meet. He won the 55-meter hurdles title at the 1997 SEC Indoor Championships and placed third at the NCAA Indoors the same year. His most recent win came at the Gatorade Track Classic where he won the 110-meter in a wind-aided time of 13.34.

The youth of the Tennessee baseball program has been well documented. But the play of several newcomers has shown hope for the future. **Chris Burke** is one of those newcomers. Burke, a native of Louisville, Ky., is in serious consideration for First Team Freshman All-America honors as well as First Team All-SEC accolades. Burke took over the leadoff spot in the batting order in Mid-April and has done well there. Going into the final weekend of play he was batting .369 with 2 home runs, 40 RBI and a team-leading 80 hits. His recognition has come due to his defensive play where he has been stellar, committing only four errors in 260 fielding chances. Together with fellow freshman Stevie Daniel, the future up the middle for the Vols looks bright.

Senior **Lisa Warren** has become one of the top hitters on the Lady Vol softball team. The Escondido, Calif., native has started every game for the team this season and established a school record with a 19-game hitting streak. She was tabbed the Most Valuable Player of both the Lady Vol Spring Invitational and the Toyota Lady Vol Softball Classic, playing right field since early in the season. From the lead-off spot, she tops the squad in both league and overall games and is bidding to become the second player in UT history to bat over .400. She currently ranks third in the SEC in batting average at .418 and leads the team in stolen bases with 18.


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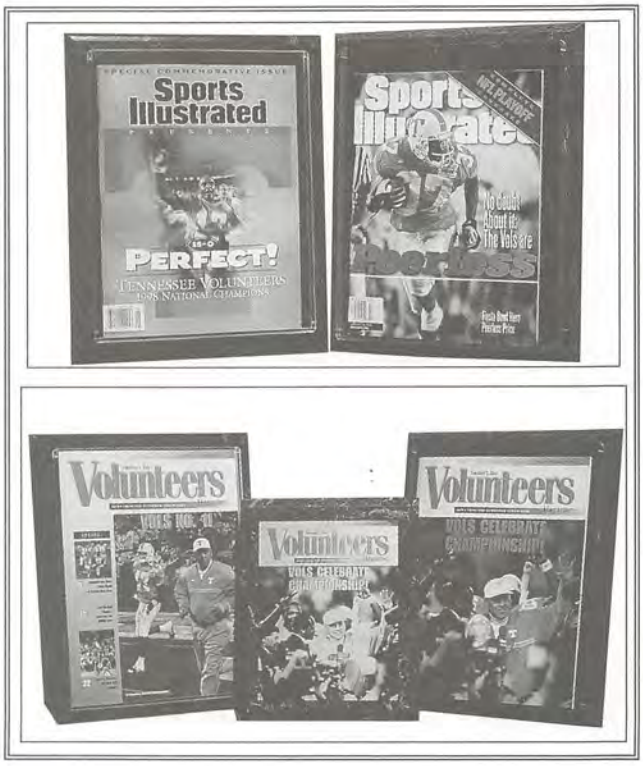

# The Last Word...
## Mary Wine

She worked at the University of Tennessee for almost as long as anyone can remember, from May 1967 through May 1999, through presidents Holt, Boling, Alexander and Johnson. Her name is Mary Wine and this is her story.

You weren't around UT very long before you knew about Mary Wine and her legendary insights into what was happening on this campus. She was unique and amazing, all in one breath.

She worked in various venues around campus, most recently on the first floor of the Communications Building, and her office was replete with the records of the history-making activities of the University, from yesteryear to today.

She had files on nearly everything within her reach. She would occasionally dazzle a visitor by finding just the right file at just the right time. The office may have appeared to have been disorganized, cluttered even, but that was not so. Not at all.

On her wall was a priceless gem of wisdom from A. A. Milne, famous to many as the creator of Winnie The Pooh and other such childhood delights.

"One of the advantages of being disorderly," Milne wrote, "is that one is constantly making exciting discoveries."

Mary apparently followed the injunction that nothing was lost if you really knew where it was. She knew where everything was. She was always there for visitor and employee alike, handing out campus information, local Knoxville info, and other such important "stuff."

She always wanted you to stay longer than you really could and always wanted you to take whatever information you could carry back to your office. She took great delight in helping people learn more about UT, the city of Knoxville and the state of Tennessee.

Mary was a fount of information for the observer of the campus scene.

Much like "Radar" of "M.A.S.H." fame, she knew what was happening on campus more often than not before it actually did. Most of the time, she was right. When you wanted to know about something that was about to occur, you dialed 4-2225 or 4-5184 and you got the inside skinny on whatever topic in which you might have been interested. With all the salient details.

***Mary Wine with UT president Joe Johnson at the UT Service Awards Recognition Dinner May 19, 1997.***

It was typical of Mary Wine that her retirement letter to John Clark was hand-written in that cursive style most of us who knew her could spot from 20 paces.

She wrote that she, "... wanted to avoid complications, possible fanfare, etc." She told me she wanted to leave and have that be that. She succeeded once, on the last Friday of her official tenure.

She and I would later have lunch at the place she always called the "West Knoxville Country Club," AKA Long's Drug Store on Kingston Pike. I wouldn't trade that experience for a cash endowment.

To say she was a campus legend would be an understatement.

No one knows how many students trained in her office as work studies. No one knows how many lives she touched across her 32-year tenure. Nobody really knows how much UT history has passed through her office and is now on the way to the UT Archives.

What I do know is Mary Wine served the University of Tennessee well for a long time. That's why the salutations on her going-away card from her colleagues were so heartfelt.

Here's one that caught my eye, from John Clark: *"There will always be only one Andy Holt and only one Mary Wine in UT history. Both will be fondly remembered for a long time."*

I agree with John. If anybody has made a greater contribution to the advancement of the University within their sphere of influence, the floor is now open for nominations.

It will be hard to walk down the hall by her office and not have her invite me in, even if just for a brief, albeit fleeting, moment. It will be hard not hearing "Mary Wine, may I help you?" through the receiver of the telephone.

There was a sign in her office, one which read as follows: *"It's not the years a woman has lived, but the number of people who are glad that she did."*

I don't know who said that, but whoever it was had to have known Mary Wine.

Mary Wine had one interesting trait that has always fascinated me. When she was finished talking on the phone, she hung up. No good-bye. No nothing. She was there and then she was gone.

It took a little getting used to, but maybe it's all for the best. You really don't want to say "good-bye" to someone like Mary Wine. You really just want to know you can talk to her when you can. Or need to.

She's headed home to her beloved Dandridge, AKA "Mayberry," as she noted in her retirement letter. I think I'll keep my copy of that letter in the hope that, when my time comes to leave, I can leave the way she did, with a touch of class and the acknowledgement of a job well done from all who knew her.

There's no one quite like Mary Wine and probably never will be. To her, I say "Au revoir," until we meet again.

*— Tom Mattingly*

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